

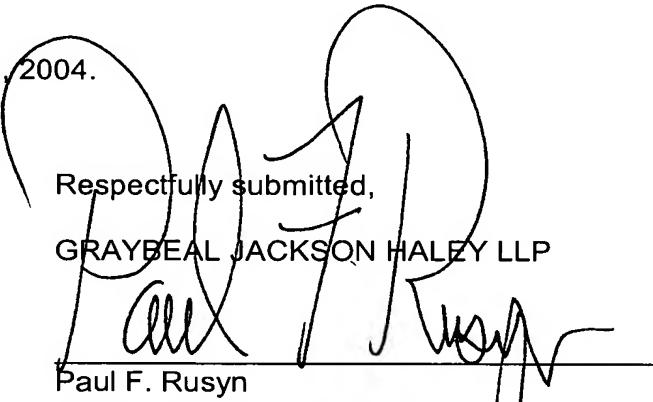
CONCLUSION

Consideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. Claims 3, 8, 10 and 13 have been amended to eliminate a multiple dependency. The amendments do not change the scope of the claims in any fashion, neither narrowing nor broadening the claims.

Should the Examiner have any further questions about the application, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney at (425) 455-5575 to resolve the matter. If any need for any fee in addition to that paid with this Preliminary Amendment is found, for any reason or at any point during the prosecution of this application, kindly consider this a petition therefore and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 07-1897.

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